



Civil
CONTRACTORS
New Zealand



At a glance

New Zealand's civil construction industry

New Zealand's civil construction industry is responsible for the physical construction and maintenance of horizontal infrastructure, including water, transport, seawalls and stopbanks, building foundations, cables, pipelines, ports, airports, public spaces and more.

Challenges our members face

- An uncertain pipeline of work
- Increasing compliance and regulatory costs
- Shortage of skilled workers
- Poor procurement practices



Key stats



of work annually



Approximate
GDP proportion



New Zealand's
infrastructure
deficit

What do civil contractors want from an incoming government?

- A committed and funded programme of work, including maintenance;
- Access to a reliable and skilled labour force, including domestic training pathways and immigration;
- Better support for construction industry health (including mental health), safety and wellbeing;
- More clarity and certainty around the water reform programme;
- Opportunities for civil construction businesses of all sizes;
- Assessment of which regulations are delivering value and which are not.



KEEP

Workforce Development Councils

Funding for vocational trade apprenticeships



START

Supporting industry to target specific overseas talent as required

Considering a broader range of infrastructure funding mechanisms



STOP

Compulsory negotiation of mandatory collective agreements

Regulations that are not adding value



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